

Holt County Sentinel.

HUMOR AND WIT.

Fee simple and simple fee,
And all the fees in tale,
Are nothing, when compared to thee,
Thou best of fees—FEMALE.

WHAT relation is the door mat to the scraper? A step-farther.

Why cannot a railway engine sit down? Because it has a tender behind.

THE ship in which a lady best likes to embark on the sea of enjoyment, is courtship.

A poor, thoughtless old gentleman sat down the other day on the spur of the moment. His screams were frightful.

A KANSAS paper, sneering at the stupidity of a cotemporary, says: "The best thing he has got off this week is a dirty shirt."

A YOUNG lady composed some verses for the Herkimer Gazette, headed "Dew Drops from Freshly Blown Roses." The printer's devil printed it "freshly blown noses."

A CLERK in a mercantile establishment writes to his friend at home. "I have a plaguey nice time of it now—days, very little work to do—our firm don't advertise!"

A GENTLEMAN at an inn, being supplied with a pair of candles which gave a very dim light, called to the waiter: "Here, let me have a couple of decent candles to see how these others burn."

"WHEN I happen to say a foolish thing, I always burst out a laughing," said an egotist. "I envy your happiness, then," answered a listener, for you must live the merriest life I know of."

A YOUNG lady was recently cured of palpitation of the heart, by a young doctor, in the most natural way imaginable. He held one of her hands in his, put his arm around her waist, and whispered something in her ear.

"I AM deeply interested," said St. Augustine, "to know whether women will rise in the last day as women, for it is to be feared in that case that they may continue to tempt us before the throne of heaven itself."

"MOTHER, said a little fellow the other day, "is there any harm in breaking egg shells?" "Certainly not, my dear; but why do you ask?" "Cause I dropped the basket just now, and see what a mess I made with the yelks."

A LADY, fair and young, residing in the neighborhood of Kansas City, lately received a letter from her affianced, stating that he had abandoned the notion of marrying her. The sad news so affected her that she—pitched in and married somebody else.

A MAN recently broke off a marriage engagement because the lady did not possess good conversational powers. A wicked editor commenting upon the fact, says: "He should have married her, and then refused her a new bonnet, to have developed her powers of talk."

A DISTINGUISHED California divine was asked after a trip to silver land. "What he thought of the country?" He replied: "There are but three things at Washoe, sir—big mines, little mines and whiskey shops; in other words, Ophir holes, gopher holes and loafer holes."

"FATHER, did you ever have another wife besides mother?" "No, my boy; what possessed you to ask such a question?" "Because I saw in the old family bible where you married Anno Domini, 1835, and that isn't mother, for her name was Sally Smith."

TWO countrymen went into a hatter's to buy one of them a hat. They were delighted with the sample. Inside the crown was inserted a looking glass. "What is this glass for?" said one of the men. The other, impatient at such rural ignorance, exclaimed: "What for? why for the man who buys the hat to see how it fits him."

"JEEMS, my lad," said a hopeful father to his son, "keep away from the gals. When you see one comin', dodge. Just such a critter as that young 'un cleanin' the door step on 'other side of the street, fooled your old dad, Jimmy. Don't cast your eyes that way and wink. If it hadn't been for you and your mother, your dad might a been in Brazil a huntin' diminds."

A NEGRO CLASS MEETING.—We find the following in the Western Christian Advocate:

"In a negro class meeting at Richmond, Sam Johnson was called on to pray; and before he had closed his prayer, the leader called out, 'Sam Johnson, you may take your seat, and let Cuffen Sugden pray; he is better acquainted wid de Lord dan you.' Another was called upon to speak, and, after speaking about five minutes was called to order, and told if he could not speak 'more to de point dan dat, he might take his seat.'"

THE HOUSEHOLD.

Look to the Bed Room.

If two persons are to occupy a bed room during the night, let them step into the weighing scales as they retire, and then again in the morning, and they will find their actual weight at least a pound less in the morning. Frequently there will be a loss of two or three pounds, and the average loss throughout the year will be over one pound. That is, during the night there is a loss of one pound of matter which has gone off from the body, partly from the lungs, and partly from the pores of the skin. The escaped material is carbonic acid and decayed animal matter of poisonous exhalations. This is diffused through the air, in part, and in part absorbed by the bed clothes. If a single ounce of wool be burned, it will so completely saturate the air with smoke that one can hardly breathe, though there can be only one ounce of foreign matter in the air. If an ounce of cotton be burned every half hour through the night, the air will be kept continually saturated with smoke, unless there can be an open door or window for its escape. Now, the sixteen ounces of smoke thus formed are far less poisonous than the sixteen ounces of exhalation from the lungs and bodies of the two persons who lost a pound of weight in eight hours of sleeping; for the dry smoke is mainly in the lungs, while the damp odors of the body were absorbed both into the lungs and the pores of the whole body. Need more be said to show the importance of having bed rooms well ventilated, and of a through airing to the sheets, coverlets and mattresses, in the morning, before packing them up in the form of a neatly made bed.—[Journal of Health.

Beneficial Effects of Sunshine.

Seclusion from sunshine is one of the misfortunes of our civilized life. The same cause which makes the potatoes white and sickly, when grown in the dark cellars, operates to produce the pale, sickly girls that are reared in our parlors. Expose either to the direct rays of the sun, and they begin to show color, health, and strength. One of the ablest lawyers in our country—a victim of long and hard brain labor, came to me a year ago, suffering from partial paralysis. The right leg and hip were reduced in size, with constant pain in the loins. He was obliged, in coming up stairs, to raise the left foot first, on every stair, dragging the right one after it. Pale, feeble, miserable, he told me he had been failing for several years, and closed with "My work is done. At sixty I find myself worn out." I directed him to lie down under a large window, and allow the sun to fall upon every part of his body; at first, ten minutes a day, increasing the time until he could expose himself to the direct rays of the sun a full hour. His habits were not essentially altered in any other particular. In six months he came running up stairs like a vigorous man of forty, and declared with sparkling eyes "I have twenty years more of work in me." I have assisted many dyspeptic, neuralgic, rheumatic, and hypochondriacal people in health by the sun cure. I have so many facts illustrating the wonderful power of the sun's direct rays in curing certain classes of invalids, that I have seriously thought of publishing a work to be denominated the sun cure.—Dr. Warren.

ANTIDOTE FOR POISON.—Dr. J. Edwards, a prominent London physician, writes as follows to the London Times:

"I inclose a simple, safe and accessible prescription for the whole range of acid corrosive poisons, which if promptly used will almost invariably save life. Mix two ounces of powdered chalk, or magnesia, or one ounce of washing soda, with a pint of milk, and swallow at one draught; then tickle the back of the throat with a feather or the finger so as to produce vomiting. Afterward drink freely of milk and water, and repeat the vomiting so as to thoroughly wash out the stomach. Any quantity of chalk or magnesia may be taken with safety, but soda in large quantities is injurious. I may add that the narcotics are excepted. Milk is an antidote for almost all the poisons, and especially if followed by vomiting."

MAKING CHEESE.—Rules for the

making of cheese may be written down; but they can, at the best, only furnish the idea. Actual practice, hand test, is requisite to learning the art of cheesemaking, whether in factory or otherwise. The best way to do in a locality where there is no dairying, is to secure a practical cheesemaker. Do not attempt to make cheese unless you practically and thoroughly understand the process. If you do, loss will be the result. The trade (it is a critical trade) learned at once, in the commencement of the undertaking, is the true way.—[Rural World.

The greatest pleasure of life is love; the greatest treasure, contentment; the greatest possession, health; the greatest ease, sleep; and the best medicine, a true and faithful friend.

FARM AND GARDEN.

A Fruit Ladder.

In a number of the Maine Farmer, we find the following suggestion as to the making of a fruit ladder:

Split an ash or spruce pole to within a few feet of the end; then put on a ring or insert a wrought nail and clinch it, so as to prevent the pole from splitting farther; spread it the right width for a ladder, until near the crotch, where it must gradually curve; confine it in this shape; bore and insert rounds the proper distance and it is ready to poke up through any little opening, and will rest firmly against a small branch where a common ladder would often cant and twist about.

We have a fruit ladder different from the above, and more complicated and unwieldy; but much better adapted to trees that bear the weight of a ladder and a man. We took a common ladder some twelve feet in length, bored a five-eighths hole between the first and second rounds at the top; a pair of legs on supports, fitting to the outside of the top as long as the ladder, and spreading six feet at the bottom, is prepared, and an iron bolt passed through both, and keyed. The legs are strengthened with ties, and afford a perfectly safe ladder to get at the outer branches of large as well as small trees, being self supporting. The ladder separated, can of course be used for any ordinary purpose.

Dwarf Fruit Trees.

Sometimes our dwarf trees strike a very favorable soil and circumstances, and grow more vigorously than it is desirable dwarf trees should do. Especially is this so of the dwarf cherry. The best remedy for this is to carefully dig the tree up and reset it again immediately after. Indeed, whether they grow very vigorously or not, most dwarf trees are improved by a biennial or triennial transplanting. It is not essential to good success, but is one of the ingredients of perfect culture. Dwarf trees can be set from eight to ten feet apart, and a great number of all sorts set in a half acre lot. They bear fruit in a very few years, and afford much pleasure to the enthusiast in promological knowledge, by the opportunity they afford of testing and becoming acquainted with many kinds and learning what varieties are best suited to his place and his taste, and all their little peculiarities. They furnish him with material on which to exercise his pruning and training skill—they constitute in fact, one of the most perfect schools of horticulture—and one who has been through a course of study therein, though but for an hour, a day, or a year, deserves to be elected without further qualification, a member of the nearest horticultural society.—[Gardener's Monthly.

Fining Manure.

A very successful English gardener lays a good deal of stress upon what he calls "fining" manure, and attributes much of his success to this process. By "fining" he means breaking up the lumps, tearing in pieces the long straw parts, and bringing all into such a fine state that it can be mixed with the particles of the soil. Having broken it up, he mixes it with ashes, leaves, sawdust, tan-bark, and all the refuse of his garden, laying it up in thin layers. When it has become partly decomposed, he overhauls it, turning it over with the shovel, and making it a homogeneous mass. After the heap has lain a few months, it gets another working, and then, being the roughly fined, it is ready for use anywhere. Farmers may learn from this example. It is plain that coarse, lumpy manure cannot benefit land as much as that which is broken up and equally diffused through it. Liquid manure and guano act efficaciously, for this, among other reasons, that they are minutely divided among the particles of the soil.—[Canada Farmer.

TO PLOW AMONG TREES.—A gentleman writing to the Farmer's Club of the American Institute, gives the following method of plowing among trees in rows. Hitch the traces full length directly to the plow; then take a crooked jack stick, like a piece of scythe snath, two and a half feet long, sharpened at each end so it will go into the links of the trace chain; then put it under the horse just forward of his hind legs and stick each end in the chains; then get a stretcher about eight inches long and put it as close to the plow as you can; this will give the horse plenty of room for his hind feet and he can walk right against the trees or bushes and never injure them.

SWINE.—Pigs designed for next fall should be separated from the sows as soon as they will eat rapidly. Keep them in moderate close quarters, as, when running about in large enclosures, they will expend a good deal of material without adding proportionately to their growth. There is nothing better than milk, oat and barley meal, and wheat flour unbolted, to make pigs grow. It is sometimes a little more economical to feed wheat flour than oat meal to pigs. Where pigs are chiefly valuable as manure makers, see that they have enough truck, soda, weeds, &c.

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